

Today's
Advertisements.PUBLIC AUCTION
OF
RARE OLD CHINESE PORCELAIN,
EMBROIDERIES AND CURIOS.

THE BEST LOT OF THIS SEASON.

THE Public will offer for Sale
by
PUBLIC AUCTION
ON
SATURDAY, the 20th March, 1897,
commencing at 2.30 P.M.,
at his SALEROOMS, DUNDRELL STREET,
A LARGE AND VERY VALUABLE COLLECTION
OF
OLD CHINESE PORCELAIN AND CURIOS
FROM THE
MING DYNASTY,
THE REGIONS OF
YUNG-CHING, KANGHI, KIENLUNG,
KAHING, &c.
Comprising:—Valuable and Rare Specimens of Fine BLUE
and WHITE HAWTHORN VASES, VASES,
BLUE and WHITE FIGURE VASES, FINE
FIVE-COLOUR VASES and JARS, RED and
GOLD POWDER BLUE, YELLOW GREEN
and Otherwise Decorated VASES and JARS,
BLACK and WHITE HAWTHORN and FINE
SANG-DE-BLEU VASES, IMPERIAL
DRAGON Decorated BOWLS, CUPS,
PLATES, &c.
FINE PEKING CLOISONNE VASES and
ORNAMENTS (MING KANGHI and KIEN-
LUNG), Rare PEKING SNUFF-BOTTLES,
OLD SOOCHOW LACQUER, Finely Carved
RHINOCERUS HORNS, IVORIES, Jade
ORNAMENTS, BRONZES, PORCELAIN
SCREENS, Old Inlaid ANNAMITE TRAYS
and BOXES, and a Great Variety of Other
CURIOS.AN EXCEPTIONALLY GOOD LOT OF
SILK EMBROIDERIES,
Comprising:—
HANGINGS, SQUARES, MANDARIN
COATS, LADIES' COATS & PETTICOATS,
Very FINE PEKING BROADES, and other
Articles.
Catalogues will be issued previous to Sale.
On View from FRIDAY, the 19th March.
TERMS OF SALE:—As customary.
GEO. P. LAMMERT,
Auctioneer.
Hongkong, 15th March, 1897. [461]

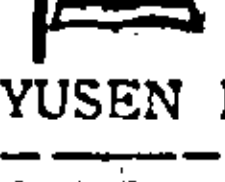
FOR NEW YORK, VIA SUEZ CANAL.

THE Steamship

"STRATHLEVEN"
will sail TO-MORROW, the 16th instant, at 4
P.M., instead of as previously advertised.
S.S. "MACDUFF" to sail about 22nd
March, 1897.For Freight or Passage, apply to
DODWELL, CARROLL & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 15th March, 1897. [360]THE CHINA AND MANILA STEAMSHIP
COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR MANILA, VIA AMOY.

THE Company's Steamship

"ZAEIRO,"
Captain Cobban, will be despatched for the
above Port TO-MORROW, the 16th instant, at
5 P.M.This Steamer has Superior Accommodation
for Passengers.For Freight or Passage, apply to
SHEWAN, TOMES & Co.,
General Managers.
Hongkong, 15th March, 1897. [460]

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

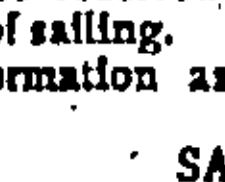
JAPAN-ROMBAY LINE.

MONTHLY SERVICE.
(Under Mail Contract)FOR SINGAPORE, COLOMBO AND
BOMBAY.

THE Company's Steamship

"HIROSHIMA MARU,"
Captain G. Shimizu, will be despatched as
above on WEDNESDAY, the 17th instant, at
4 P.M.For Freight or Passage, apply to
NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.
Hongkong, 15th March, 1897. [457]AUSTRIAN LLOYD'S STEAM NAVI-
GATION COMPANY.(UNDER MAIL CONTRACT WITH THE AUSTRIAN
GOVERNMENT)STEAM FOR
SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO,
BOMBAY, KURACHIE, ADEN, SUEZ,
PORT SAID, BRINDISI, VENICE,
TRIESTE AND GENOA.(Taking Cargo at through rates to CALCUTTA,
MADRAS, PERSIAN GULF, RED SEA, BLACK
SEA, LEVANT AND ADRIATIC PORTS, also to
NATAL, EAST LONDON, PORT ELIZABETH
and CAPE TOWN.)

THE Company's Steamship

"MARIA VALERIE,"
Captain A. Fellner, will be despatched as
above on FRIDAY, the 19th instant.Cargo will not be received on board after 3
P.M. prior to date of sailing.For further information as to Passage and
Freight, apply to
SANDER & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 15th March, 1897. [316]

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

JAPAN-EUROPE LINE.

MONTHLY SERVICE.

FOR LONDON AND ANTWERP,
VIA SINGAPORE, COLOMBO, PORT SAID
AND MARSEILLES.

THE Company's Steamship

"KINSHU MARU,"
Captain W. Thompson, will be despatched as
above on SATURDAY, the 20th April, at 4 P.M.For Freight or Passage, apply to
NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.
Hongkong, 15th March, 1897. [458]Today's
Advertisements.FROM BOMBAY, TUTICORIN AND
SINGAPORE.

THE Company's Steamship

"IDZUMI MARU"

having arrived from above Ports, Consignees of
Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods,
with the exception of Valuable, are being
landed at their risk into the Godowns of the
Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown
Company, Limited, at Wanchai, whence delivery
may be obtained.All damaged or damaged Goods must be left in
the Godowns and a certificate of the damage
obtained from the Godown Company, and sent
into this Office within seven days after the
vessel's arrival, after which no claims will be
recognised, and Goods remaining undelivered
will be subject to rent.No Fire Insurance has been effected.
Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the
Undersigned.NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.
Hongkong, 15th March, 1897. [459]

Entimations.

DAKIN, CRUICKSHANK &
COMPANY,
VICTORIA DISPENSARY,
HONGKONG.

AERATED WATERS.

SIMPLE AERATED WATER.

SODA WATER.

L EMONADE.

GINGER ALE.

SARSAPARILLA.

RASPBERRYVADE, &c.

DAKIN, CRUICKSHANK & Co.'s WATERS are
made under the constant supervision of a duly
qualified English Chemist and will bear com-
parison with the best English Manufactures.Special terms to HOTELS, CLUBS, MESSES and
other Large Consumers.Any complaints should be addressed to the
Manager.

Hongkong, 15th March, 1897. [379a]

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Advertisements, &c., be addressed to the "Manager, Hongkong
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not to individual members of the staff.Communications intended for publication must be accompanied
by the name and address of the writer, not necessarily for
publication, but as evidence of good faith.The Hongkong Telegraph will always
be open for the free discussion of all questions
affecting public interests, it must be distinctly understood that
the Editor does not in any way hold himself responsible for
opinions thus expressed.

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space for the advertisement.Advertisements and Subscriptions which are not ordered for a
fixed period will be continued until discontinued.The Hongkong Telegraph has the largest circulation of any
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No. 1, Telephone address "Telegraph," Hongkong.A. S. WATSON & CO.,
LIMITED.

ESTABLISHED A.D. 1841.

WINE S

AND

SPIRITS.

ALL these are selected by our London House,
bought direct at first hand, imported in wood
and bottled by ourselves, thus saving all inter-
mediate profits, and enabling us to supply the
best goods at MODERATE PRICES.PRICE LISTS, with Full Details, to be had on
Application.FORT after removal should be rested a month
before use. When required for drinking at
once it should be ordered to be decanted at
the DISPENSARY before being sent out.SHERRY.—Excellent Dinner and After Dinner
Wines of very superior Vintages. All are
true Xeres Wines.CLARET.—Our Claret, including the lowest
Priced, are guaranteed to be the genuine
product of the juice of the grape and are not
artificially made from raisins and currants,
as is generally the case with Cheap Wines.BRANDY.—All our Brandy is guaranteed to be
pure COGNAC, the difference in price being
merely a question of age and vintage.WHISKEY.—All our Whiskey is of excellent
quality and of greater age than most brands
in the market. The SCOTCH WHISKEY
marked "E" is universally popular, and is
pronounced by the best local connoisseurs
to be superior to any other brand in the
Hongkong market.We only guarantee our Wines and SPIRITS
to be genuine when bought direct from us in the
Colony or from our authorised Agents at the
Coast Ports.A. S. WATSON & CO., LD.
THE HONGKONG DISPENSARY,
Hongkong, 15th September, 1896.

BIRTHS.

At Ichou, China, on the 13th ultimo,
wife of C. F. JOHNSON, M.D., of a son.At Bangkok, on the 25th ultimo, the wife
Commodore DE RICHELIEU, of a daughter.At No. 42, Bubbling Well Road, Shang-
hai, on the 7th instant, the wife of E. H. KERR,
of a daughter.At "Pondoy," Bubbling Well Road, Shang-
hai, on the 8th instant, the wife of W. BIZ
ROBERTSON, of a son.

DEATH.

At Cheloo, on the 4th instant, FRANCES M.,
aged 6 months, youngest daughter of
Reginald and Elizabeth Margaret Harding.

The Hongkong Telegraph

HONGKONG, MONDAY, MARCH 15, 1897.

NOTES AND COMMENTS.

We congratulate Dr. STEWART on his
appointment of Surgeon-Captain of the
Hongkong Volunteers. No better man
could have stepped into Dr. CANBY's
shoes. We hope he will continue to do
on Dr. CANBY's work in training and
organising a Volunteer Ambulance Corps,
not merely among the actually en-
rolled men of the Artillery Battery and Mam
Gun Corps, but also among the civil popu-
lation, European and Chinese, men and
women. The proportion of the Any
Hospital Corps that will ever be left free
in time of war will be very small; why
insufficient for the work to be done if its
place has to be left to its existence, and
the wounded will have to depend largely on
assistance by the resident population. We
should like to learn from Surgeon-Colonel
EVART what arrangements have been
made for the first aid to the wounded in
our forts and batteries—for their removal
to a field Hospital and for their ultimate
disposal. Has it been thought about?
In the mobilisation that takes place to-
morrow is there a definitely appointed
position for any Field Hospitals immedi-
ately in rear of the fighting line, or if
ambulances for the removal of the
wounded? Are the stretchers, beds, bed-
ding, tents, medicines, provisions, etc., all
in order? We have our doubts.We commend to our readers—to those
of them at least that are seeking light
upon the currency question in Japan—Mr.
SONODA's views on the subject. He is not
in favour of the gold standard and views
with some alarm the proposed change in
the financial policy of his native country.
He is the President of that most successful
Institution the Yokohama Specie Bank.
He has just returned from a foreign tour,
during which he has had every opportunity
of studying the question under the most
favourable circumstances. He has ex-
changed opinions with many able men in
Europe on the subject, and he thinks the
adoption of the gold standard in Japan a
mistake. We cannot help thinking so
too. Japan has prospered greatly in the
past under the silver regime. She owes
much if not all of her great commercial
expansion and of her success as a
manufacturing centre to the fact that she
has been a silver-using country, buying
from and selling to countries having a
gold standard constantly and steadily
appreciating in value and where prices
were continually declining. She will find
a big difference if she makes the change,
and it will probably give a very serious
check to the steady development of her
industries. She cannot afford to try
doubtful experiments in that direction
while spending millions in arming to
defend herself against possible enemies
and to maintain the great position she has
secured for herself by her recent victories.
She will do well to go slowly and
circumspectly to put herself on a level
with gold-using countries in point of
strength before she attempts to vie with them
in the matter of her currency and circula-
tion. It is very dignified undoubtedly to
be reckoned among the gold-using coun-
tries of the world and to rise out of the rank
of Eastern peoples, who are content with
common silver, but it is safer and far
sounder to secure first the wealth and the
position that justify the change than to
make it in anticipation of a development
that may never be attained. The adoption
of a gold standard will not raise the
people of Japan to the financial elevation
implied by that standard. Let them attain
that position first; the gold standard will
then follow almost as of course, if a gold
standard is at all a necessity of political
and commercial success.Now that His Excellency Wu Tiao
Fang and Dr. Ho Kai have left us, the one
for Washington as Minister Plenipotentiary,
the other as Adviser of Suzeo
Taotai in his gigantic banking and rail-
way enterprises, we have a few words to
say to our Chinese friends. Both these
men have had an English education—Dr.
Ho Kai an English education of a very
high class, as he went to England at the
age of thirteen years, had a thoroughly
good preliminary training and then quali-
fied in Medicine and Law with the highest
honours; NO CHOW, a common school
education in Hongkong and a three years'
training for the Bar in England. Neither
of these men has had any Chinese educa-
tion in the full sense of the term. They
have made no study, or no profound study,
of the Chinese classics and have passed
no Chinese examinations. Neither could
unaided turn out an essay in classical
Chinese on any subject. Yet they have
achieved a striking success—the one
among his own countrymen in China and
in competition with highly educated men
more native and graduates of all classes,
the other here in Hongkong among Euro-
peans; and he would have had a more
successful career and a more striking
superiority if he had not been so well pro-
vided for by fortune that he had no need
to work. Dr. Ho Kai will succeed in
China if the venality and corruption to beencountered in the official circles in which
he has to move does not disgust him
and drive him back here in six months.
His success will be even more striking
than NO CHOW's, for he is less Chinese
than that gentleman, and has less of a
Chinese education. What, then, is the use
of a Chinese education? Absolutely none
at all, beyond that knowledge of the
spoken language that will permit of
free communication with the people
and the officials and of the social
etiquette. Let four Chinese friends in
Hongkong who have made such a
surprising display of their knowledge
and appreciation of English and of
English ways, as they have done within
the last week or two, make up their minds
that Chinese as a classical language and
Chinese literature as a useful practical
study and pursuit, is played out, and let
them determine to devote all their children's
time and energy to the English language
and literature, and to the study of science
and history in that language. If they are
wise and wish to make progress and that
they and their children shall make their
mark in the "new world" in China, let them
take the Queen's College into their own
hands—enlarge it, re-organise it, and
make it a High School for the education
of the Chinese youth of the Colony in all
Western learning. Why should they be
dependent on the charity of the Govern-
ment for the education of their children
receive? We commend this project to
them as the very best possible method
of celebrating Her Majesty's Diamond
Jubilee.We regret to announce the death of Captain James
Walker Knox of the ship *Esmeralda*. The deceased
master mariner died in the Government Civil
Hospital on the 13th inst., and was buried at
Happy Valley at 10 a.m. to-day. He was only
34 years of age.YESTERDAY afternoon two wrestling "cracks"
of the Hongkong Regiment tried conclusions for
a considerable sum in the Happy Valley. A
large number of their comrades and the Asiatic
Artillery mustered and the competitors were
loudly applauded.At the Supreme Court to-day, in Summary
Jurisdiction before His Lordship the Chief Justice,
V. A. Sales proceeded against Yeung Ping Nam
and others for recovery of \$540 due on a
promissory note. After hearing evidence judg-
ment was given for the plaintiff.Mr. W. FRITCHARD MORAY, M.P., with his
daughter and his staff, left Shanghai for Peking
a few days ago. Mr. Morgan goes to discuss
with Li Hung-chang the projects which were
originally opened between them at home, and
which, the *N. C. Daily News* understands,
brought Mr. Morgan to China.We regret to announce the death of Drummer
Flowers (W. Y.), which took place at the Military
Hospital yesterday, from injuries sustained in
the last match for the Regimental Football
Shield. The deceased was only 18 years of age.
He was buried with full military honours to-
day. The unfortunate accident was recorded in
our columns when it occurred.The programme of the Shanghai Spring Meet-
ing, to be held on the 3rd, 4th, and 5th May,
has been issued. It is a strong "pro" and
should lead to good entries, keen contest,
excellent sport and plenty of fun for all who
"play the game" in the far-famed Model Set-
tling. The programme is crowded out of this
issue, but we hope to find room for it to-morrow.We understand that one of the chief reasons for
the long delay in the fitting up of the *Tamara*
as a receiving ship, to replace the ancient *Victoria*,
has been the difficulty of getting her cat-heads
into position and properly secured. This work
is now completed and we are told that the
Tamara will be ready to commence her new
duties long before the typhoon season com-
mences.The practice of carrying dangerous weapons in
this colony does not seem to abate despite Capt.
Hastings severely in dealing with it. This morn-
ing two more men were charged at the
Magistracy with having revolvers in their
possession and each was fined \$100 with the
alternative of 3 months' imprisonment. One was
a Chinaman, but the other, Ernest Lawrence,
claims to be an English master mariner.LAST Saturday afternoon the members of the Naval
Yard Rifle Club, which is now an *ad hoc* club,
held their first "shoot" at Stonecutters' Island
over the 300 and 300 yards ranges. Mr. Mc-
Ewen won by one point, making 45 against
Messrs. Watson, Marshall, and Richardson's 44
each. The shooting took place in the
presence of Commodore Holland, the President
of the Club. We shall publish the full scores
to-morrow.THE Chinese at Wo-hang have a rumour that
H.E. the Viceroy Chang Chih-tung is to be sent
to London to represent China at the Queen's
Diamond Jubilee; but the *N. C. Daily News*
learns, through the courtesy of Mr. G. D. Scott,
Reuter's agent at Shanghai, that the envoy
selected by the Throne is H.E. Chang Yin-shan,
a Cantonese, a prominent member of the
Tungshih Yamen, and formerly Chinese Minister
to the United States, Spain, and Peru.LAST evening Mr. Farmer, the genial host of the
"Vic," was entertained by his "boys" at a
Chinese dinner. There were a few guests invited
in honour of the occasion and the many strange
dishes in which John Chinaman delights were all
taken with more or less gusto by the guests.
The birds' nest soup was excellent and the sea
root (*chick-dee-may*) was a capital imitation
of cowheel. The proceedings closed with the
boys' health being very heartily drunk in
miniature glasses of samshu.We received this afternoon, too late for insertion
in this issue, the report of the General Man-
agers (Messrs. Shewan, Tomes & Co.) of the
Green Island Cement Company, which is to be
presented to the shareholders at the eighth
ordinary general meeting on the 22nd instant.
It is a highly satisfactory report and sets forth
that the net profit, including the amount brought
forward from the previous year, amounts to
\$5,736.81, and, after writing off \$12,619.66 for
depreciation, there remains \$4,617.12, which it
is proposed to appropriate as follows:—To pay a dividend of 7 per cent. \$14,000.
To write off part cost of the \$5,000.
To place to Reserve Fund 30,000.
To carry forward to next year's 7,117.12WATCH any half-dozen cyclists as they pass, and
you will see that five of them do not know how
to pedal properly. If they had but a slight
knowledge of the proper method of foot motion,
they could accomplish far greater results. The
art of pedalling is to push the pedal more than
half the circle, taking care to lift the foot immedi-
ately it has done its effective work, so as not to
burden the rising pedal. This necessitates the
dropping of the heel at the top of the stroke
which helps the crank over the dead centre,
pushing right down to the bottom of the stroke,
and bringing the foot back with a drawing
motion to get over the dead centre at the bottom.
If a rider, who has been content with a piston-
like up and down pedal motion, will try this
slowly at first, he will be surprised, after a little
practice, to find that the machine does not require
nearly so much pushing as it used to, especially
in hill climbing will be discovered its advantage,
while the ankle motion involved will be particu-
larly beneficial. —*The Hub*.His Excellency the Governor, with the consent
of His Excellency the General Officer Command-
ing, has been pleased to appoint Superintendent
Surgeon Lieutenant Frederick Edmund Stead-
man, M.D., to be Surgeon Captain to the Hong-
kong Volunteer Corps, vice Surgeon Captain
James Cantlie, M.B., who has left the Colony.At 11 o'clock this morning about 500 of the
West Yorks were inspected by Col. Gordon.
Each man looked his smartest and as each com-
pany in *band* was passed a series of manoeuvres
was conducted in a very creditable manner. We
are informed that the annual inspection by His
Excellency Major-General Black will take place
at Happy Valley on the 1st inst.

TELEGRAMS.

REUTER'S MESSAGE.

THE CRETAN QUESTION.

LONDON, March 14th.

It is believed that the negotiations of the
Powers tend rather to conciliation than to
severity with Greece, and there is some talk
of utilizing the Greek troops, under European
officers, for pacifying Crete.(From *Diario de Manila*.)

PHILIPPINES CURRENCY.

MADRID, March 6th.

The Government has solved in part the
monetary difficulties of the Philippines. It has
been decided that a special silver coin shall be
minted for circulation in the Philippines.

SPECIAL REWARDS.

MADRID, March 6th.

For the part he took in the brilliant attack on
and the capture of Salitran, Colonel Don José
Ariston, of the Cavalry, has been promoted to
General.For special services rendered to the Govern-
ment during the campaign Don Francisco
Galbis has been decorated with the Order of the
Grand Cross (red), military division.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

"GROWLER." Quite agree with you. Your
letter will appear to-morrow.The opening of the Korat Railway (Siam) will
take place on the 24th instant.The German cruiser *Prinzess Wilhelme* left for
Yokohama yesterday afternoon.The entries for the Shanghai Spring Meeting
close on Saturday, the 3rd of April.The Volunteers' 7-p. competition resulted in a
win for the Dock Detachment by 25 points.The business men of Osaka, their sales being
mainly domestic and their purchases foreign,
have declared in favour of the gold standard.The Committee of the Institution of Engineers
and Shipbuilders have issued invitations for one
of their popular "hops," to be given in the City
Hall next Friday.It is notified that His Excellency the Governor
has been pleased to accept the resignation of
Captain Charles Murray Adamson from the
Hongkong Volunteer Corps.CHUNG SHU, a tailor, was fined \$75 at the
Magistracy to-day for having in his possession
4 tael of illicit opium and Choi Son Chee
suffered to the extent of \$150 for 7 tael of the
drug.The Governor has recognised Mr. Kyotaro
Amano as in charge of the Japanese Consulate
in Hongkong during the temporary absence
from the Colony of Mr. S. Shimizu, Consul
for Japan.The Hangchow silk market has been opened
by a small parcel of new silk changing hands at
from 300 to 200 copper cash per tael weight
for first and second qualities, but at these rates
the country growers decline to sell, holding for
higher prices.—*Mercury*.We are informed by the Agents that the steamer
Oceanic, which was to have left Shanghai on
Saturday at 9 a.m., could not leave until 5
a.m. yesterday owing to bad weather. She will,
however, leave for Europe at the advertised date,
Wednesday at noon, if practicable.WORK on the ten-mile local railway at Hang-
chow will commence in the first week of April.
Work on the railway from Shanghai to Woosung
began on the 26th ultimo. The Hangchow
railway officials anticipate "having their road
ready for traffic in six months from the time
of starting.His Excellency the Governor, with the consent
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FACTURING CO., LIMITED.The 13th annual ordinary meeting of the
Hongkong Rope Manufacturing Company, Limited,
was held at noon to-day at the Co's
office, No. 9, Praya Central. Mr. C. A. Tomes
presided and there were also present Messrs D.
Gilles, M. D. Esaki, and J. H. Lewis (Con-
sulting Committee), H. Wicklog, G. H. Potts,
W. S. Bailey, Tsang Wa Chan, F. J. V. Jorge,
and J. H. R. Hance.Mr. Hance read the notice convening the
meeting.The Chairman said—As usual, gentlemen, I
take it we may dispense with the reading of the
report which has been in your hands now for some
days. It is a pleasure to the General Managers
to be able to come before you again with such a
favourable account and noteworthy that although
this is the first year of working with the increased
capital the maximum dividend allowed by the
articles has been declared. It is to be hoped
shareholders will regard this in a
way as a special distribution, the outcome of a
fortunate year, and not what can reasonably be
expected as a permanent and regular dividend.
The additional purchase of land mentioned in
the accounts was to provide room for the neces-
sary extension. New machinery has been
bought on favourable terms and when all has
been set up and put in running order it will be
possible to increase our output by nearly fifty
per cent. This will place us a good deal ahead
of the present demand, but the Committee
and the General Managers have thought it
more prudent to be rather "before than behind
hand with the requirements of the trade. The
investments are entered at their cost price, which
is well within to-day's market value and the
increment can stand as a reserve to be made use
of should occasion demand and the shares
be sold. The small amount of \$30, stated
as the reserve fund, represents an unclaimed
dividend which by the articles must be re-
served only, as explained at last year's
meeting. After this year, when circumstances
allow, regular additions will be made to this
fund, for the sake of prudence, should be
allowed to grow to a substantial figure. The
factory, buildings, and machinery are in first class
order and carefully looked after by our capable
and efficient Superintendent. This is all I think,
gentlemen, I need say to you to-day, but before
moving the adoption of the report if there are
any questions to be asked I shall be pleased to
answer them.There being no questions, the Chairman moved
the adoption of the report.

Mr. H. Wicklog seconded.

Mr. Wicklog proposed the re-election of Messrs
Gilles, Lewis, Esaki, and Tomes as Consulting
Committee.

Intimations.

It is
WASTE OF TIME
for us to "puff" our preparations, as every maker's goods are "the best" in his own estimation.

PEACH-BLOSSOM SOAP
AND
CHAMPAGNE BITTERS,
are number ONE.

Proprietors,
Hongkong, 15th February, 1897. **WATKINS & CO.,** [13]

THE CLUB HOTEL
5, BUND, YOKOHAMA.
HOTEL METROPOLE,
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FIRST-CLASS HOTELS, centrally situated, well-furnished, the Cuisine under the Supervision of approved French Chef has no equal. ENTIRE FOREIGN MANAGEMENT. Experienced English matron in attendance.

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Certified Guides are in attendance at both Hotels.
THE CLUB HOTEL COMPANY, LIMITED, PROPRIETORS.

E. V. SIOEN, Manager, YOKOHAMA. **L. DEWETTE, Manager, TOKYO.** [48]

TO PREVENT CONSUMPTION.

Only one way is known. Increase vitality by making the system assimilate the right nourishment. This enriches the blood, assists in making healthy flesh, restores lost heat and vigorous action of the vital organs, and prevents the germs from taking root in the lungs.

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PUBLIC AUCTION
OF
VALUABLE HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE,
MOSTLY OF
MARINBURK MANUFACTURE.

THE Undersigned has received instructions to Sell by
PUBLIC AUCTION

on
THURSDAY, the 18th March, 1897,
commencing at 2.30 P.M.,
at No. 22, CANNON ROAD, at LOWER MOSQUE
TERRACE, near No. 9, POLICE STATION.
The whole of the
VALUABLE HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE,
CHIEFLY OF
MARINBURK MANUFACTURE,

Comprising:

LARGE TEAK CARVED HAT AND
UMBRELLA STAND with EMBOSSED
LEATHER PANELS and SEATS. DRAW-
ING-ROOM SUITE in SILK TAPESTRY and
PLUSH. CANTON-BLACKWOOD FURNI-
TURE. TENNESSEE MARBLE-TOP and
FANCY TABLES. BEVELLED OVERMAN-
TELS, EBONY and PLUSH CARD TABLE,
Handsome JAPANESE SCREENS, VASES,
ORNAMENTS, CLOCKS, OIL-PAINTINGS,
ENGRAVINGS, FENDERS, LACE CUR-
TAINS, CARPETS, RUGS, &c. &c.
TEAK CARVED SIDEBOARD with
BEVELLED GLASS. DINNER WAGGONS,
EXTENSION DINING TABLE, MOROCCO
COVERED DINING-ROOM SUITE. E.
DINNER and DESSERT SERVICES,
ELECTRO-PLATE and GLASS-WARE,
CUTLERY, PANTRY REQUISITES, &c., &c.
ONE HANDSOME DOUBLE BRASS BED-
STEAD with WIRE and HAIR MAT-
TRESSES, SEVERAL FINE AMERICAN
WALNUT BEDSTRESS with SPRING and
HAIR MATTRESSES, MARBLE-TOP
WASHTANDS and SETS, MARBLE
BUREAUS and DRESSING TABLES with
BEVELLED GLASSES, SINGLE & DOUBLE
WARDROBES with BEVELLED GLASS-
DOORS, LINEN WARDROBES, SEVERAL
BED-ROOM SUITES in SILK TAPESTRY
and PLUSH, FANCY UPHOLSTERED
CHAIRS, & SUNDRY BEDROOM FURNI-
TURE, &c., &c.

BATH-ROOM REQUISITES.
FLOORS and PLANTS.
Catalogues will be issued previous to the Sale.
On View from WEDNESDAY, the 17th March.
TERMS OF SALE—At auctioneer.

GEO. P. LAMBERT,
Auctioneer.
Hongkong, 12th March, 1897. [446]

Shipping.

STEAMERS.

THE OREGON RAILWAY AND
NAVIGATION COMPANY'S
PACIFIC STEAMSHIP
LINE.

CHINA AND JAPAN.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG, 1897.
(Subject to Alteration.)

Chitagon..... Saturday..... 12th March.

TAKING PASSENGERS AND CARGO FOR UNITED
STATES AND CANADA AT THROUGH RATES.

THE Steamship

"CHITTAGON"

will be despatched hence for VICTORIA,
(B.C.) and PORTLAND, OREGON, via KOBE
and YOKOHAMA, on SATURDAY, the 20th
March.

Consular Invoices of Goods for United States
Points should be in QUADRUPLET; and one
Copy must be sent forward by the Steamer to
the care of the GENERAL FREIGHT AGENT,
Oregon Railway and Navigation Co., Portland,
Oregon.

For further information—as to Passage and
Freight, apply to

SHEWAN, TOMES & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 4th March, 1897. [405]

Shipping.

STEAMERS.

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY,
LIMITED.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY AND TAMSUI.
THE Company's Steamship

"HAIMUN,"
Captain Balthus, will be despatched for the
above Ports TO-MORROW, the 16th instant,
at Daylight.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
DOUGLAS LARPAK & Co.,
General Managers.
Hongkong, 15th March, 1897. [456]

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY,
LIMITED.

FOR ILOILO.

THE Company's Steamship

"TAIWAN,"
Captain Pearce, will be despatched as above
TO-MORROW, the 16th instant, at Noon.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
Agents.
Hongkong, 15th March, 1897. [431]

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY,
LIMITED.

FOR CHEFOO AND NEWCHANG.

THE Company's Steamship

"FOOCHOW,"
Captain Blackburn, will be despatched as above
TO-MORROW, the 16th instant, at 3 P.M.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
Agents.
Hongkong, 15th March, 1897. [410]

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION
COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG AND
CALCUTTA.

THE Company's Steamship

"SUISANG,"
Captain T. R. Galloway, will be despatched as
above TO-MORROW, the 16th instant, at 3 P.M.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
JARDINE, MATHESON & CO.,
General Managers.
Hongkong, 15th March, 1897. [438]

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY,
LIMITED.

FOR YOKOHAMA AND KOBE.

THE Company's Steamship

"TSINAN,"
Captain Ramsay, will be despatched as above on
WEDNESDAY, the 17th instant.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
Agents.
Hongkong, 15th March, 1897. [406]

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.
JAPAN-BOMBAY LINE.

MONTHLY SERVICE.
(Under Mail Contract.)

FOR KOBE AND YOKOHAMA.

THE Company's Steamship

"IDZUMI MARU,"
Captain J. M. Cawley, will be despatched for the
above Ports on THURSDAY, the 18th instant,
at Noon.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.
Hongkong, 10th March 1897. [428]

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.
JAPAN-AUSTRALIA LINE.

MONTHLY SERVICE.
(Under Mail Contract.)

FOR NAGASAKI, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA.

THE Company's Steamship

"YAMASHIRO MARU,"
Captain J. Jones, will be despatched as above
on FRIDAY, the 19th instant, at Noon.
This Steamer is fitted with Superior Passenger
Accommodation, and is lit by Electricity
throughout.

A daily qualified Doctor is carried
For Freight or Passage, apply to
NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.
Hongkong, 10th March, 1897. [429]

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.
FOR SANDAKAN AND KUDAT.

THE Company's Steamship

"PRUCALION,"
Captain B. Branch, will be despatched on
SATURDAY, the 20th instant, at 4 P.M.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
Agents.
Hongkong, 15th March, 1897. [451]

FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG AND
CALCUTTA.

THE Steamship

"ARRATON APCAR,"
Captain K. H. Sundberg, will be despatched for
the above Ports on SATURDAY, the 20th inst.,
at 3 P.M.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
DAVID SASSOON, SONS & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 15th March, 1897. [452]

SAILING VESSELS.

FOR SAN FRANCISCO.

THE "100 A1 British Ship"

"FALLS OF DEER,"
Lock Master, shortly expected, will load here
for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.
For Freight, apply to
SHEWAN, TOMES & Co.,
Hongkong, 4th February, 1897. [244]

FOR SAN FRANCISCO.

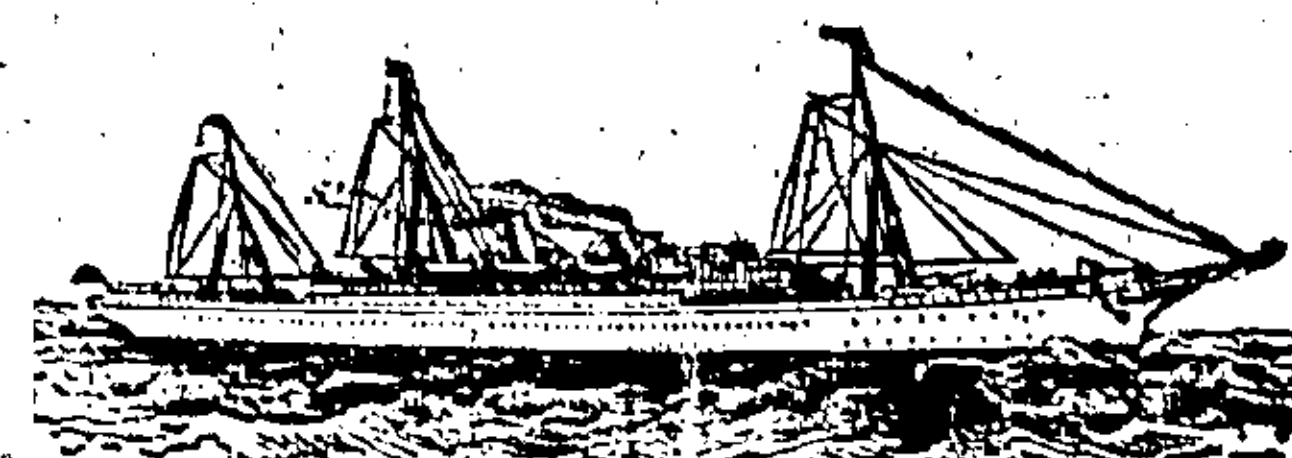
THE American Bark

"COLOMA,"
Noyes, Master, will load here for the above
Port, and will have quick despatch.
For Freight, apply to
SHEWAN, TOMES & Co.,
Hongkong, 10th February, 1897. [279]

Mails.

CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY COMPANY'S
ROYAL MAIL STEAMSHIP LINE

1897.



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SAFETY. SPEED. PUNCTUALITY.
THE FAST ROUTE BETWEEN CHINA, JAPAN AND EUROPE, VIA CANADA
AND THE UNITED STATES.
(CALLING AT SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA AND VICTORIA, B.C.)
Twin Screw Steamships—4,000 Tons—10,000 Horse Power—Speed 19 knots.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

EMPEROR OF JAPAN...Comdr. H. Fybus, R.N.R....WEDNESDAY, 17th March.
EMPEROR OF CHINA...Comdr. R. Archibald, R.N.R....WEDNESDAY, 7th April.
EMPEROR OF INDIA...Comdr. O. P. Marshall, R.N.R....WEDNESDAY, 28th April.

THE magnificent Steamships of this Line pass through the famous INLAND SEA OF
JAPAN, and usually make the voyage YOKOHAMA TO VANCOUVER (B.C.) in 12
DAYS, making close connection at Vancouver with the PALATIAL TRANS-CONTINENTAL
TRAINS OF THE CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY which leave daily, and cross the Continent
FROM THE PACIFIC TO THE ATLANTIC WITHOUT CHANGE. Close connection is
made at Montreal, Quebec, Halifax, New York and Boston with all Trans-Atlantic Lines, which
passengers to Great Britain and the Continent are given choice of.

Passengers Booked through to all principal points and AROUND THE WORLD. Return
tickets to various points at reduced rates, Good for 4, 6, 9 and 12 months.
SPECIAL RATES (First-class only) granted to Missionaries, Members of the Naval, Military,
Diplomatic and Civil Services, and to European Officials in the Service of China and Japan
Governments.

CIRCULAR PACIFIC TOUR TICKETS Hongkong to Vancouver, Vancouver to Sydney
Australia, via Honolulu, and Sydney to Hongkong via Brisbane and Torres Straits, Good for
9 months, \$100.

The attractive features of this Company's route, embrace its PALATIAL STEAMSHIPS,
(second to none in the World), the LUXURIANCE OF ITS TRANS-CONTINENTAL TRAINS
(the Company having received the highest award for same at recent Chicago World's Exhibition)
and the diversity of MAGNIFICENT MOUNTAIN AND LAKE SCENERY through which the
Railway passes.

THE DINING CARS AND MOUNTAIN HOTELS of this route are owned and operated by
the Company, and their appointments and Cuisine are unequalled.

For further information, Maps, Guide Books, Rates of Passage, &c., apply to

D. E. BROWN, General Agent,
Peck's Street. [3]

OCCIDENTAL & ORIENTAL
STEAMSHIP
COMPANY.

TAKING CARGO AND PASSENGERS TO
JAPAN, THE UNITED STATES,
MEXICO,
CENTRAL AND SOUTH AMERICA, AND
EUROPE.

THE OVERLAND RAILWAYS,
AND
ATLANTIC AND OTHER CONNECTING
STEAMERS.

VIA INLAND SEA OF JAPAN AND
HONOLULU.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

Doric (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama and Honolulu)..... Thursday, 1st April, at Noon.

Belge (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea and Yokohama)..... Thursday, 22nd April, at Noon.

Coptic (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama and Honolulu)..... Tuesday, 11th May, at Noon.

THE Company's Steamship

"DORIC"
will be despatched for SAN FRANCISCO, via
SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, INLAND
SEA, YOKOHAMA AND HONOLULU, on
THURSDAY, the 1st April, 1897, at Noon.

Steamers of this line pass through the IN-
LAND SEA OF JAPAN, and call at Honolulu,
and passengers are allowed to break their
journey at any point en route.

Through Passage Tickets granted to England,
France and Germany by all trans-Atlantic lines
of Steamers, and to the principal cities of the
United States or Canada. Rates may be
obtained on application.

Passengers holding through ORDERS TO
EUROPE have the choice of Overland Rail
Routes from San Francisco, including the
SOUTHERN PACIFIC, CENTRAL PACIFIC,
UNION PACIFIC, DENVER and RIO
GRANDE, and NORTHERN PACIFIC RAIL-
WAY; also the CANADIAN PACIFIC RAIL-
WAY on payment of \$4 in addition to the
regular tariff rate.

Passengers holding Orders FOR OVERLAND
CITIES in the United States have, between
SAN FRANCISCO and CHICAGO, the option of
the SOUTHERN PACIFIC, CENTRAL
PACIFIC, UNION PACIFIC, DENVER and RIO
GRANDE, and other direct connecting
Railways, and from Chicago to destination the
choice of direct lines.

Particulars of the various routes can be
had on application.

Special rates (first class only) are granted to
Missionaries, members of the Naval, Military,
Diplomatic and Civil Services, to European
Officials in service of China and Japan, and to
Government officials and their families.

Passengers who have paid full fare, re-embarking
at San Francisco for China or Japan (or vice
versa) within one year, will be allowed a discount
of 10 per cent. This allowance does not
apply to through fares for China and Japan
to Europe.

All PARCEL PACKAGES should be marked at
address in full; and same will be received at
the Company's Office until Five P.M. the day
previous to sailing.

Consular Invoices to accompany Cargo des-
tined to Points beyond San Francisco, in the
United States, should be sent to the Company's
Office, addressed to the Collector of Customs,
San Francisco.

For further information as to Freight or
Passage, apply to the Agency of the Company,
No. 7, Praya Central.

J. S. VAN BUREN, Agent.
Hongkong, 15th March 1897. [1]

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SHIP-CHANDLERS, SAILMAKERS,
COAL AND PROVISION MEE-
CHANTS, NAVAL CONTRACTORS
AND GENERAL COMMISSION
AGENTS.

PRAYA CENTRAL HONGKONG,
SOAP MANUFACTURERS.

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HARTMANN'S GREY PAINT,
RAHTEN'S PATENT MOTOR LAUNCHES
&c., &c.

Sole Agents for
FERGUSON'S SPECIAL CREAM
and
F. & O. SPECIAL LIQUOR SCOTCH
WHISKY, &c.

EVERY KIND OF
SHIPS STORES AND REQUISITES
ALWAYS IN STOCK

REASONABLE PRICES.
Hongkong, 10th May, 1897. [19]

Mails.

NORTHERN PACIFIC
STEAMSHIP AND RAILROAD
COMPANIES.

VIA INLAND SEA OF JAPAN.

THE attention of Passengers is directed to
the very cheap rates offered by this Line
to the PACIFIC COAST and the INTERIOR and
EASTERN CITIES of the UNITED STATES and
CANADA and to EUROPE.

HONGKONG TO LONDON \$400.
Excellent accommodation. First-class Table,
DOCTOR and STEWARDNESS carried.

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The Railroad travelling is second to none on
the American Continent. Magnificent Scenery
of the ROCKY and CASCADE MOUNTAINS. The
YELLOWSTONE NATIONAL PARK route. Passen-
gers to EUROPE may proceed by one of the first
class ATLANTIC MAIL LINES.

HONGKONG TO TACOMA \$225.
Rates of Passage to other Ports on application.
Special rates allowed to members of Govern-
ment Services.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM

HONGKONG.

(Subject to Alteration.)

Victoria..... 1.57 | Tuesday... [Mar. 21.]
Olympia..... 2.68 | Tuesday... [April 3.]
Brasmar..... 3.61 | Tue... May 11.

Tacoma..... 2.54 | Tu... May 25.
Victoria..... 3.16 | Tu... June 8.
Olympia..... 2.68 | Tu... June 20.

THE Steamship

"VICTORIA,"
Captain J. Paxton, R.N.R., sailing at Noon, on
TUESDAY, the 23rd March, will proceed to
VICTORIA (B.C.) and TACOMA (Wash.), via
SHANGHAI, KOBE and YOKOHAMA.

Through Bills of Lading issued to Japan,
Pacific Coast Ports, and to Canadian and
United States Ports.

Consular Invoices of Goods for United States
Ports should be in quadruplicate; and one
copy must be sent forward by the steamer to
the care of the Freight Agent, Northern Pacific
Railroad, Tacoma, Wash.

Parcels must be sent to our Office (with address
marked in full) by 5 P.M., on the day previous to
sailing.

For further information as to Passage or
Freight, apply to
DODWELL, CARLILL & Co.,
General Agents.
Hongkong, 10th March, 1897. [4]



THE PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL
STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

STEAM FOR
STRAITS, CEYLON, AUSTRALIA, INDIA,
ADEN, EGYPT, MEDITERRANEAN
PORTS, PLYMOUTH AND LONDON.

(Through Bills of Lading issued for BATAVIA,
PERMAN GULF, CONTINENTAL and
AMERICAN PORTS.)

THE Steamship

"KAISAR-I-HIND,"
Captain C. L. Daniel, carrying Her Majesty's
Mails, will be despatched from this for BOMBAY,
&c., on THURSDAY, the 25th March,
at Noon, taking Passengers and Cargo for the above
Ports.

Silk and Valuable, all Cargo for France,
and Tea for London (under arrangement) will
be transhipped at Colombo into a steamer
proceeding direct to Marseilles and London;
other Cargo for London, &c., will be conveyed
via Bombay.

Parcels will be received at this Office until 4
P.M. the day before sailing. The Contents and
Value of all Packages are required.

Shippers are particularly requested to note
the terms and conditions of the Company's Bills
of Lading.

For further Particulars, apply to
H. A. RITCHIE,
Superintendent.
Hongkong, 11th March, 1897. [5]

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD.

NOTICE.

STEAM FOR
SINGAPORE, COLOMBO, ADEN, SUEZ,
PORT SAID, NAPLES, GENOA,
ANTWERP, BREMEN AND HAMBURG.
PORTS IN THE LEVANT,
BLACK SEA AND BALTIC PORTS.

LONDON, NEW YORK, BOSTON,
BALTIMORE, NEW ORLEANS,
GALVESTON, AND SOUTH AMERICAN
PORTS.

THE COMPANY'S STEAMERS WILL CALL AT
SOUTHAMPTON
TO LAND PASSENGERS AND LUGGAGE.

N.B.—CARGO CAN BE TAKEN ON THROUGH
BILLS OF LADING FOR THE PRINCIPAL
PLACES IN RUSSIA.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.
(Subject to Alteration.)

Sachsen..... Tuesday... 30th March.
Bayern..... Tuesday... 27th April.
Prinz Heinrich..... Tuesday... 25th May.

ON TUESDAY, the 30th day of March,
1897, at 10 A.M., the Company's Steamship
"SACHSEN" Captain H. Sponner, with
MAILS, PASSENGERS, SPECIFIC and CARGO,
will leave this Port as above, calling at NAPLES
and GENOA.

Shipping Orders will be granted till Noon on
SATURDAY, the 27th March. Cargo and Specie
will be received on board until 5 P.M. on MONDAY
the 29th March, and Parcels will be received at
the Agency's Office until Noon on MONDAY, the
29th March. Contents of Packages are required.
No Parcel Receipts will be signed for less than
25 lbs. and Parcels should not exceed Two Feet
Cube in Measurement.

The Steamer has splendid Accommodation,
and carries a Doctor and a Stewardess.
Linen can be washed on board.
For further Particulars, apply to
MELCHERS & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 22nd March, 1897. [390]

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